(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the measures adopted/proposed to be adopted so as to reduce the losses of PSUs?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI SUKHBIR SINGH BADAL): (a) and (b) The Govt. have advised the Admn. Ministries to initiate specific steps for restructuring of the PSUs and report on a time bound basis.

(c) and (d) A few Ministries have furnished status Note on Restructuring plan for individual PSUs which varies from one PSU to another. These include options like product diversification, Technology upgradation, Joint venture, etc.

(e) Enterprise specific measures are adopted by the Administrative Ministries and the PSUs, such as formation of Joint Ventures, professionalisation of Boards, rationalisation of Man Power, modernisation, technology upgradation, infusion of funds etc.

Mine Accidents in the Country

3576. SHRI RAHASBIHARI BARIK: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) the number of mine accidents that occured in the country during each of the last three years, State-wise;

(b) the number of casualities and labourers injured therein;

(c) the amount of loss of revenue incurred on this account;

(d) the amount of compensation and insurance provided to the victim and also other families in case of death;

(e) the details of the unsettled cases to whom compensation in yet to be paid; and

(f) the steps taken by Government to check/stop such incidents in the furtures?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR (DR. STAYANARAYAN JATIYA): (a) and (b) A statement showing the number of mine accidents that occured in the country druing each of the last three years, State-wise and the number of casualities and labourers injured in enclosed as annexure [See apeendix 184, Annexure No. 90]

(c) The information relating to loss of revenue incurred on account of these accidents is not maintained.

(d) ad (e) The amount of compensation is paid to the injured or families of the deceased under the workmen's compensation Act, 1923 and the Employees State Insurance Corporation Act, 1948, the implementation of which falls under the jurisdiction of the State Government.

(f) provisions for safety of persons employed in mines are contained in the Mines Act, 1952, and the Rules and Regulations framed thereunder. In addition, the Directorate General of Mines Safety also issues guidelines in the form of circulars to the Mine Managements for improving safety measures. These provisions are required to be complied with by the mine managements. The officers of the Directorate General of Mines Safety inspect of mines priodiocally to oversee the status of compliance with the safety provisions, and take action as provided for under the Mines Act, 1952, in case of default.

Besides the legislative measures, the government is promoting safety through a number of other initiatives such as:—

(a) conferences of safety in mines;

(b) self-regulation by managements;

(c) workers' participation in safety management;

(d) tripartite and bipartite reviews at various levels;

(e) training of work persons;

(f) observance of safety weeks and safety compaigns;

(g) national safety awards (Mines).